



## **Tacoma Metals Responsiveness Summary**

### **Comment Period: April 27 to May 26, 2020**

Cleanup Site ID: 3910  
Facility ID: 1257  
Address: Tacoma, WA  
County: Pierce

#### **Document for review and comment**

- Agreed Order No. 17989 with International Paper Company and General Metals of Tacoma.
- Enforcement Order No. 17990 with the Estate of Sophie Sussman and Tacoma Metals.

#### **Comments received**

Ecology received no comments during the comment period.

#### **Background**

The Tacoma Metals site is located at 1919 Portland Avenue in the Tacoma Tideflats. It is currently an empty paved lot.

The following industries operated on the site between the early 1900's and 1999:

- Creosoting plant (Figure 2) - 1900s to 1930s
- Coke plant - early 1940s
- Metals recycling facility - 1950s to 1999

The practices and operations of these industries contaminated soil and groundwater. In 1988, Ecology ranked the site as a 2 on the Hazardous Sites List. Site investigations have been ongoing since 1989. Partial cleanups were conducted in 1989 and again between 2005 and 2007 when unexploded military ordnance and other scrap metal were found during the construction of the Puyallup River side channel.

#### **Next steps**

The potentially liable parties will write a work plan, carry out a supplemental Remedial Investigation (RI), and update the 2018 Feasibility Study (FS) so that cleanup can move forward.

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